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SIX NEW ANTITUBERCULAR DISPENSARIES TO BE OPENED

Six new antitut roular dispensaries will be opened on 30 April by the Minister of Public Health at Bucharest, Cariova, Iasi, Satu Marc, and Gradinari Commune (Ilfov Judet). The new dispensaries will organize, direct. and execute antitubercular treatments, will direct the detection of TB, and will vaccinate with BCG. The dispensaries will organize and control antitubercular institutions such as evening clinics, TB sections of hospitals. and of grade-one and grade-two sanatoriums.

The dispensaries will treat ambulatory cases, will screen the sick, and will send the afflicted to the sanatoriums or TB sections of hospitals (in Bucherest, this operation will be performed in the tuberculosis screening centers). The dispensaries will also supervise home isolation and treatment of the sick, which constitutes a totally new method of treatment which we have devised in this field; the dispenseries will be in close contact with all other health institutions -- polyclinics, hospitals, etc. A card file will be kept of all TB cases and of all persons who have come in contact with these cases. The dispensaries will popularize antitubercular measures and will conduct sanitary education. They will work in conjunction with the provisory committees and group organizations.

The antitubercular dispensaries will be equipped with two consultation rooms and staffed with five phanisiologists and six to ten nurses, who will make calls throughout the rural areas. There are also an X-ray section, with a doctor and a laboratory assistant; a children's clinic, with a pediatrician; a nose-throat-ear section, with a doctor and a nurse; and a section for TB of the bones and Joints, with surgical Epecialist.

The dispensaries also have a station with six to ten beds for those who do not require confinement but still need medical attention. The sick will not stay more than 10 days in these stations.

Two antitubercular dispensaries will be opened in Bucharest on 30 April; one at the former maternity home in Th Speranta Street, and the other at 42 Furturei Street in Grivita. An antitubercular center will be respende at the "23 August" Plant.

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